TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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September 7, 2012



LEE LITTLE RIVER FAIR THIS WEEKEND!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2012 Little River Park - North River Rd, Lee

Gates Open at 9:00 a.m.

Kids Line up for the Parade at 9:30 a.m.

Tractor Parade at 10:00 a.m.

Pig Roast & Chicken BBQ at 5:00 p.m.

CLICK HERE for the Full Schedule of Events.

CLICK HERE for Vendor/Artisan information and application.

CLICK HERE to view the HARVEST SUPPER poster!

CLICK HERE to view the Dessert Content Rules.

CLICK HERE to view the Dessert Contest Entry Form.

TROT 4 KIDS 5k ROAD RACE and WALK THIS WEEKEND!

Saturday, September 8, 2012 Rain or Shine 20 George Bennett Road, Lee NH 03861 Registration begins at 7:00 am, Road Race Begins at 8:30 am,

Walkers begin at 8:15 am

Registration is \$20 prior to race day, \$25 on race day. The first 225 are registrants are guaranteed a T-shirt! Make checks payable to the **"Lee Police Association"** and mail to: Caren Rossi, 7 Mast Rd. Lee, NH 03861. Any questions please contact Caren Rossi at 659-6783 or crossi@leenh.org

Please **CLICK HERE** to register online.

WALKS ALONG THE LITTLE RIVER AT LITTLE RIVER PARK THIS WEEKEND!

Saturday, September 8, 2012

In conjunction with the Lee Little River Fair, the Lee Conservation Commission will be leading three walks along the Little River Park Nature Trail. We will look at different habitats encountered along the trail, learn a bit about the various plants and animals that live in those habitats, and enjoy views of the Little River.

Please join us and get acquainted with the river that gives the park its name. Walks will take place at 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, and 3:00 pm, and all ages are welcome!

APPLE CRISP AT THE FAIR... THIS WEEKEND!

The Senior Advisory Committee will be selling Apple Crisp with ice cream at their booth at the Lee Little River Fair! If anyone would like to help please call Jacki Neill 659-8774.

TOWN OF LEE WEBSITE EXPECT INTERRUPTIONS

On Saturday, **Sept 8, 2012** Virtual Town Hall will be performing a data center expansion affecting all of their 400 clients. The town's website is expected to be down approximately four hours, from 8:00 am – noon. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

INFORMATION ABOUT UPCOMING ELECTIONS

PRIMARY ELECTION – **September 11, 2012**

GENERAL ELECTION - November 6, 2012

Polls are open from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm. Voting takes place at the Public Safety Complex 20 George Bennett Rd, Lee.

CLICK HERE for **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS CLICK HERE** for information on the new **VOTER ID LAW**

CLICK HERE for an **ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION**

CLICK HERE for a **SAMPLE DEMOCRATIC BALLOT** for 9/11/12 **CLICK HERE** for a **SAMPLE REPUBLICAN BALLOT** for 9/11/12

CHANNEL 13

Check your local TV channel 13 to view Selectmen's meetings aired daily at 7:00 am; 2:00 pm; 7:00 pm. **CLICK HERE** to view meetings and videos online through the media site at leenh.org.

LAMPREY RIVER PADDLE

Saturday, Sept 15th 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Join a guided paddle up the river and back from the canoe launch at Wadleigh Falls on Rt 152 in Lee.

Parking is available along the road. Bring your own boat and life vest. The trip will be lead my Mark West, local wetland scientist and ecologist pointing out plants, insects and wildlife.

Sponsored by the Lamprey River Watershed Association 659-9363

See you on the River!

ROOT OUT THE INVADERS (ROTI)

An invasive plant, oriental bittersweet, has gotten started at the edge of the Town Forest behind the Safety Complex. This invader is known to threaten vegetation of all heights in forested and open areas by growing up and over native trees and shrubs, ultimately killing them by girdling or overtopping them, preventing photosynthesis.

On Saturday, **September 15th**, join the Conservation Commission in our effort to stop this invader. We will be pulling small to middle-sized plants and bagging the vegetation for landfill disposal so that its seeds will not mature and spread.

Appropriate gear includes sturdy work gloves, long sleeved shirt and long pants, drinking water and insect repellent. Be aware that <u>poison ivy</u> is also present where we will be working. If you have a garden fork, please bring it. Also a pair of loppers for cutting the vines for bagging. At 9:00 am we will meet on the grassy slope behind the Safety Complex. Let's take a stand!

THE LEE FARMER'S MARKET

Visit the Farmer's Market located at the Highway Dept on Mast Rd (old fire station) in Lee! There is a variety of local produce, meats, baked goods, honey, syrup and crafts for sale. Hours are 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Thursdays. **The final market of the year will be Thursday, September 20th.** For questions please contact Market Master, Dick Babcock at 659-9329.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Saturday, September 22, 2012

8:30 am - 12:30 PM

Dover Community Services Garage 271 Mast Rd, **DOVER** Most household chemicals are hazardous and are an ever growing problem. To minimize the risk of polluting the environment, please bring your unwanted household chemicals to the **DOVER** collection site for safe disposal.

To view a map to the facility and other important information **CLICK HERE**.

EXPLORE LEE'S CONSERVED LANDS

Wednesday mornings through the summer and early fall, the Conservation Commission conducts a site walk of one of the Town's conserved properties. Residents are invited to join us!

Some of these lands are owned by the Town, but most of them are privately owned and protected in perpetuity with a conservation easement. If you'd like to participate, call the Town Secretary, Dawn Hayes. Meet in the Town Hall parking lot at 8:45 am, dressed for walking in the woods. Standard precautions for ticks and mosquitoes are advised. Typically, site walks take an hour and a half.

THE TOWN CENTER SURVEY

A Town Center Committee is in the process of being formed. When the committee has been organized a third Town Center Listening Session will be scheduled. There is still time to complete a survey!

CLICK HERE for **Town Center Survey**.

CLICK HERE to view the **1**st **Town Center Listening Session**.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to view the **2**nd **Town Center Listening Session.**

FROM THE WELFARE DEPARTMENT...

This is the time of year that the utility companies become aggressive in collecting past due payments. If you are having difficulty keeping up with your payments, make sure to contact the utility company to avoid disconnection and for the best payment plan possible.

Strafford County Community Action will be coming to Lee for residents to **apply early** for Fuel and Electrical Assistance. I will share the date and location as soon as it is scheduled.

FROM THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Senior Wellness Program – for the residents of Lee. Our program will focus on the wellness and fitness needs specific to those in our senior community. Seniors will be encouraged to improve strength, balance, flexibility and cardiovascular endurance. We will modify any movements to suit your ability level. To share any suggestions and comments, or to express interest please contact Dawn Marie Jarrell at 969-8251.

Senior Phone Scan Warning - FairPoint Communications and law enforcement are warning the public about a telephone scam that originates from Area Code 876. Please **CLICK HERE** for more information.

Greeting Card Class - Caroline West will be holding a class to teach seniors to make greeting cards. This class size will be limited to 8 people and will be held on the evening of **November 13**th at the Lee Library.

Discussion on Dementia - Carlie Helen will also be giving a talk on Dementia on **October 17**th at 7pm at the Lee Library

Meetings - The Senior Advisory Committee meets on the second Monday of each month at 9:00 am at the Public Safety Building. All are welcome to join us!

Free Classes - Mexican Cooking with Pat Wellington and Ceramics with Jacquie Neill (there will be a charge for materials). If there is enough interest in these classes we will schedule them in the Fall.

Please contact the library at 659-2626 to express interest.

LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Please visit the Library booth at the Lee Little River Fair on **September 8th.** There will be crafts for children as long as supplies last! Tickets for the Harvest Supper are still available for sale the Library! If you are looking for inspiration for the Dessert Contest - we have many dessert cookbooks on display!

Book Discussion

Monday, September 10th

6:30 pm Business meeting- help choose titles for the year! 7:00 pm The Lacuna by Barbara Kingsolver

Story Times

Thursdays, 10: 30 am Ages 3-6 Fridays, 10:30 am Ages 2-3

Social Gathering for Seniors

Thursdays at 2:00 pm through September

Knitting Get Together

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm

Come and join other long-time knitters for an evening of knitting and socializing. Bring that project you've been meaning to finish and make some new friends! This is not a class. For experienced knitters only!

Vietnam: First Person Accounts

Wednesday, **September 19th** at 7:00 pm

At the Lee Public Safety Complex

The Vietnam War stretched over 20 years and left millions of casualties. About a half million young Americans took part in what proved to be the most controversial military intervention in the history of the United States. 40 years later, veterans and our national identity are still struggling to come to terms with the experience.

We invite you to come and interact with a panel of local veterans as they share their memories of the war. If you are a Vietnam Veteran and would like to join our panel, please contact the Lee Public Library at 659-2626. Presented by Laura Gund, Denis Hambucken and the Lee Heritage Commission. Hosted by the Lee Public Library and the Lee Historical Society.

September's Artist of the Month is Cori Caputo.

Working primarily in watercolor, Cori Caputo loves to create pictures that allow the viewer to take a journey to enchanted lands and uncharted islands. You are invited to step inside her world and find the painting that speaks to your heart.



THE LAMPREY RIVERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The full Lamprey River and five of its major tributaries have been in the NH Rivers Management and Protection Program for one year. Representatives from fourteen towns are now in the process of writing the rivers' management plan. The members must look at current issues and forecast issues that will necessitate action in the next few years. They look at the geographic, social, and financial issues of the fourteen towns.

They must carefully consider many variables: How to keep the good water clean and address areas that are not clean; how to ensure adequate flow so that people and nature have enough water; how to make sure people can access the river for appropriate recreation; how to preserve important historic and cultural assets; how to protect valuable habitat for a wide variety of creatures; how to engage citizens and their governments.

Fortunately, the members do not need to create a management plan from scratch. The Wild and Scenic River towns of Epping, Lee, Durham, and Newmarket created a management plan several years ago and revised the original plan in 2007.

Please visit http://www.lampreyriver.org/about-us-2007-mgmt-plan-revision to review the existing plan. For those who have suggestions for the full river plan, please contact Sharon Meeker at 659-5441 or s-meeker@comcast.net.

Charting a Course for Fun

Fall is a splendid time to explore the great outdoors. The Lamprey River offers a wealth of activities to enjoy: fishing, bird-watching, canoeing or kayaking, exploring a flood plain or old mill site. The Lamprey River Advisory Committee has a tour map and guide of river sites to visit in the towns of Epping, Lee, Durham, and Newmarket. The maps are a terrific resource for long-time residents and newcomers alike.

Maps and the accompanying guide can be downloaded at http://www.lampreyriver.org/UploadedFiles/Files/LampreyTourGuide.pdf. Maps and tour guides are also available for free at the Lee Public Library.

In the summer of 2011, the committee built a canoe launch just downstream of Wadleigh Falls on Route 152. This launch is for the public and offers a safe place to park and access the river. Have a nice paddle upstream and let the river carry you back to the canoe launch. Please be aware that Wadleigh Falls is just downstream of the canoe launch, and your canoe will not survive going over the falls and dam without damage. Wadleigh Falls is best enjoyed from land.

HAVE FUN AND "TREAD LIGHTLY" ON OUR WILD AND SCENIC LAMPREY RIVER!

Help Wanted

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has. ~Margaret Meade

None of us is as smart as all of us. ~Ken Blanchard

The Lamprey River and its tributaries run through fourteen towns. Each town must have at least one representative on the Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee and may have up to four. Currently, Durham and Lee have four, but Northwood has none. Most towns have one or two representatives. By statute, the committee should also represent various interests along the river. Town governments, environmental specialists, and riverside landowners are well represented, but no one is giving a voice to agricultural or business interests.

If you want to be involved in the future of the Lamprey River, please contact Sharon Meeker at s-meeker@comcast.net for more information. Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of every month, please join us!

dB READINGS AT THE LEE USA SPEEDWAY

As a result of the Race Track Ad Hoc Committee formed last year, decibel readings have been taken regularly through the 2012 racing season. Please CLICK HERE to view the data gathered thus far. At the end of the 2012 racing season the committee will meet again to review and analyze all readings.

COAST BUS TRANSPORTATION IN LEE

Transportation from Lee to: Newmarket, Durham, Newington and Portsmouth is provided by Lamprey Health Care through the Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST). The bus picks up at the Lee Town Hall at 8:45 am on Thursday's only. Please CLICK HERE to view the brochure regarding time and locations of stops and fares.

PROJECT NOTICE from CONTINENTAL PAVING INC

Continental Paving will be working on the State of NH D.O.T. project "Northwood-Lee", in Lee, Northwood, Nottingham, and Barrington through **September 28, 2012.** The paving work will be performed in the evenings, while the guardrail work will be performed during the daytime hours.

WILKINSON FOOD PANTRY

Lee Church Congregational 17 Mast Rd

The food pantry is open to **any family** in the Town of Lee. The pantry is open the first and third Monday of each month from 6:00-7:00 pm. If there is an emergency need please feel free to contact the Church office 659-2861. All visits to the pantry are strictly confidential.